

Serial Number _____

NO SURFACE OCCUPANCY STIPULATION

No surface occupancy or use is allowed within one-quarter mile of grouse leks.

On the lands described below:

For the purpose of:

To protect the sharptail and sage grouse lek sites necessary for the long-term maintenance of grouse populations in the area.

Any changes to this stipulation will be made in accordance with the land use plan and/or the regulatory provisions for such changes.

Exception: An exception to this stipulation can be granted by the authorized officer if the operator submits a plan which demonstrates that impacts from the proposed action are acceptable or can be adequately mitigated.

Modification: The boundaries of the stipulated area can be modified if the authorized officer determines that portions of the area can be occupied without adversely affecting grouse lek sites.

Waiver: This stipulation can be waived if the authorized officer determines that the entire leasehold can be occupied without adversely affecting grouse lek sites, or if grouse lek sites within one-quarter mile of the leasehold have not been used for five consecutive years.

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